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Chief, Procurement Division, CI

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Chief, Engineering Division, OC

Contract No. XG-848, w

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Ref : Memorandum dated 9 August 1955 from Contracting Officer to
Chief, Engineering Division, OC

1. It is the opinion of the Engineering Division that the subject contractor's performance under this contract was generally satisfactory, except for the failure to meet the delivery schedules. This difficulty may have been partially due to extremely rigid specifications (which, in one instance, were relaxed) and to the failure of a subcontractor to supply necessary components.

2. In accordance with sub-paragraph (c) of the referenced memorandum the following information is offered for your consideration. The subject contractor, however justified, is and has been consistently late in delivery of equipment manufactured under present and past Agency contracts. Since this failing is more evident on development type contracts, it is believed that erroneous developmental time estimates are directly the cause of the aforementioned difficulty. In contrast to the above, the contractor is found to be willing, conscientious, and devoted to producing the desired item. The high quality standards adhered to would tend to outweigh the contractor's shortcomings.

3. Therefore, the Engineering Division is basically satisfied with the abilities exhibited in the contractor's performance under production and service type contracts. The subject contractor is also considered capable of performing efficiently under certain types of development contracts where expeditiously wise and where technical requirements are limited.

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